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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PL

SUBJECT: RFE TREATMENT OF POLISH PRICE-HIKE ISSUE

REF: (A) WARSAW 4570; (B) STATE 165583; (C) MUNICH 1499

1. RFE HAS FELT COMPELLED, IN VIEW OF ITS INTERPRETATION OF ITS MISSION AND CHARTER, TO ENGAGE IN RUNNING COMMENTARY ON PRICE RISE SITUATION IN POLAND. MAIN THEME OF RFE COMMENTARY HAS BEEN LACK OF CONSULTATION BETWEEN PARTY AND GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES, ON ONE HAND, AND PEOPLE ON THE OTHER.

2. RFE MANAGEMENT IS CONVINCED GOP FACED GENUINE CRISIS WHICH IT AVERTED BY QUICK DECISION TO RESCIND ANNOUNCED PRICE INCREASES. CONSEQUENTLY, THEMES OF "CRISIS" AND "CRISIS NARROWLY AVERTED" WERE SECONDARY, BUT NONETHELESS PROMINENT IN RFE COMMENTARY.

3. RFE ECONOMIC ANALYSIS AND COMMENTARY, WHICH BEGAN SEVERAL DAYS AFTER JAROSZEWICZ ANNOUNCED DECISION TO RESCIND INCREASES (REFTEL C), HAS TAKEN LINE THAT SOME FORM OF PRICE REFORM WAS ESSENTIAL BUT ALSO THAT MORE ATTENTION SHOULD HAVE BEEN GIVEN TO SUPPLY SITUATION.

4. COMMENT: RFE MANAGEMENT FEELS THAT TONE AND CONTENTS OF RFE COMMENTARY HAVE BEEN REASONABLY RESTRAINED. CONGEN  
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UNDERSTANDS THAT RFE MANAGEMENT HAS INDEED EXERCISED

RESTRAINING INFLUENCE ON SOME ELEMENTS OF POLISH BD.  
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